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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I do not have a regular wireless phone for the mere fact that I cannot afford the monthly rate imposed regardless of use. I use my Tracfone only in have to cases due to the high per minute cost. It is merely a security tool for me as I travel dark country roads to and from work and I find it to be much more cost effective than the regular wireless service. Now you want to start adding to my already high per minute rate. I am barely able to keep household necessities paid the way it is - and everytime you turn around somebody else wants their "hand in the pie". All sorts of names are put on these taxes - but no matter what they are called, that's all they amount too!! Taxes, taxes & more taxes. Enough is enough and there's got to be a stopping point somewhere. Who should I not pay each month in order to pay you? I'm tired of putting in the "kitty" all the time! I'm from the generation that was never made aware of college grants (if they even existed then), the gener!

ation that never received welfare - even if they were raising families as a single parent - the generation that had to pay their own child care while working, with no earned income credit offered as an incentive to work. And now I'm the generation that is seeing the retirement age pushed a little farther away with each passing year. Well, I'm tired and its high time to stop making me pay for just a whole bunch of other folks that won't work. I see it everyday, in my own neighborhood - all around me. And it makes me angry! Thank you for listening.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members